

TABLE OF CHANGES – INSTRUCTIONS
Form I-485, Application to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status
OMB Number: 1615-0023
Date: 11/21/2016

Reason for Revision: Updates are required for Form I-485 due to a Fee Increase.

Current Page Number and Section	Current Text	Proposed Text
Page 5-6, What Is the Filing Fee?	<p>[page 5]</p> <p>The filing fee for Form I-485 is \$985.</p> <p>An additional biometrics service fee of \$85 is required for applicants ages 14 to 78.</p> <p>If Form I-485 for a child age 13 or younger is filed in the same envelope with the Form I-485 of at least one parent, the fee for the child’s Form I-485 is \$635, under section 201(b)(2)(A)(i), 203(a)(2)(A), and 203(d) of the INA.</p> <p>There is no fee if an applicant is filing as a refugee under section 209(a) of the INA.</p> <p>Use the following guidelines when you prepare your check or money order for the Form I-485 filing and biometrics services fee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The check or money order must be drawn on a bank or other financial institution located in the United States and must be payable in U.S. currency; and 2. Make the check or money order payable to U.S. Department of Homeland Security. <p>NOTE: Spell out U.S. Department of Homeland Security; do not use the initials “USDHS” or “DHS.”</p> <p>NOTE: You may file Form I-765, Application for Employment Authorization,</p>	<p>[page 5]</p> <p>The filing fee for Form I-485 is \$1,140.</p> <p>An additional biometrics service fee of \$85 is required for applicants ages 14 to 78.</p> <p>If Form I-485 for a child age 13 or younger is filed in the same envelope with the Form I-485 of at least one parent, the fee for the child’s Form I-485 is \$750, under section 201(b)(2)(A)(i), 203(a)(2)(A), and 203(d) of the INA.</p> <p>There is no fee if an applicant is filing as a refugee under section 209(a) of the INA.</p> <p>NOTE: The filing fee and biometric services fee are not refundable, regardless of any action USCIS takes on this application. DO NOT MAIL CASH. You must submit all fees in the exact amounts.</p> <p>Use the following guidelines when you prepare your check or money order for the Form I-485 filing and biometrics services fee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The check or money order must be drawn on a bank or other financial institution located in the United States and must be payable in U.S. currency; and 2. Make the check or money order payable to U.S. Department of Homeland Security. <p>NOTE: Spell out U.S. Department of Homeland Security; do not use the initials “USDHS” or “DHS.”</p> <p>NOTE: You may file Form I-765, Application for Employment Authorization,</p>

	<p>and/or a Form I-131, Application for Travel Document, without fee, if you file Form I-485 and you pay its required fee. You may file these forms together. If you choose to file Form I-765 and/or Form I-131 separately, you must also submit a copy of your I-797C, Notice of Action, receipt as evidence of filing and paying for Form I-485.</p> <p>Notice to Those Making Payment by Check.</p> <p>If you send us a check, it will be converted into an electronic funds transfer (EFT). This means we will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will take 24 hours and will be shown on your regular account statement.</p> <p>You will not receive your original check back. We will destroy your original check, but we will keep a copy of it. If the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in place of your original check. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer up to two times.</p> <p>How to Check If the Fees Are Correct</p> <p>Form I-485 filing and biometrics fees are current as of the edition date appearing in the lower right corner of this page. However, because USCIS fees change periodically, you can verify if the fees are correct by following one of the steps below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Visit the USCIS Web site at www.uscis.gov, select “FORMS,” and check the appropriate fee; or 2. Call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 and ask for fee information. For TDD (deaf or hard of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833. 	<p>and/or a Form I-131, Application for Travel Document, without fee, if you file Form I-485 and you pay its required fee. You may file these forms together. If you choose to file Form I-765 and/or Form I-131 separately, you must also submit a copy of your I-797C, Notice of Action, receipt as evidence of filing and paying for Form I-485.</p> <p>Notice to Those Making Payment by Check. If you send us a check, USCIS will convert it into an electronic funds transfer (EFT). This means we will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will take 24 hours and your bank will show it on your regular account statement.</p> <p>You will not receive your original check back. We will destroy your original check, but will keep a copy of it. If USCIS cannot process the EFT for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in place of your original check. If your check is returned as unpayable, USCIS will re-submit the payment to the financial institution one time. If the check is returned as unpayable a second time, we will reject your application and charge you a returned check fee.</p> <p>How To Check If the Fees Are Correct</p> <p>Form I-485’s filing fee and biometric services fee are current as of the edition date in the lower right corner of this page. However, because USCIS fees change periodically, you can verify that the fees are correct by following one of the steps below.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Visit the USCIS website at www.uscis.gov, select “FORMS,” and check the appropriate fee; or 2. Call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 and ask for fee information. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833.
--	---	--

	<p>[Page 6]</p> <p>NOTE: If your Form I-485 requires payment of a biometrics services fee for USCIS to take your fingerprints, photograph, or signature, you can use the same procedure to obtain the correct biometrics fee.</p>	<p>[Deleted]</p> <p>[Page 6]</p> <p>Fee Waiver</p> <p>You may be eligible for a fee waiver under 8 CFR 103.7(c). If you believe you are eligible for a fee waiver, complete Form I-912, Request for Fee Waiver (or a written request), and submit it and any required evidence of your inability to pay the filing fee with this application. You can review the fee waiver guidance at www.uscis.gov/feewaiver.</p>
--	--	---